

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. Application No.: 10/727,548

REMARKS

Claims 13, 14 and 16-29 are rejected; and claims 15, 30 and 31 are objected to as being allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Applicants note the error in claim 15 as presented in the Amendment filed December 22, 2004. An oxygen content of 3 to 10.2% by mass was intended.

Review and reconsideration on the merits are requested.

In response to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, claims 13 and 14 have been amended to incorporate therein the recitations of claims 30 and 15, respectively, to recite an oxygen content of 3 to 10.2% by mass. Claims 15 and 30 have been canceled. Claim 31 has also been canceled as being redundant to claim 29.

It is respectfully submitted that the amended claims find full written description support in the support as originally filed, and withdrawal of the foregoing rejection is respectfully requested.

Withdrawal of all rejections and allowance of claims 13, 14 and 16-29 is earnestly solicited.

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In the event that the Examiner believes that it may be helpful to advance prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number indicated below.

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